

ABSTRACT

Steering column apparatus includes a steering shaft to which a steering wheel is mounted at the rear end portion thereof, a cylindrical steering column for rotatably supporting the steering shaft therein, and body-side brackets used to clamp and fix the steering column. The steering column has a distance unit, formed as an expanded portion by plastic working, to be clamped between the body-side brackets. A position adjusting mechanism is provided for making the position of the steering column with respect to the body-side brackets adjustable within a predetermined adjustment range, and includes an adjusting bolt passing through the body-side brackets and the distance unit and cooperable with a nut to clamp the distance unit through the body-side brackets. The adjusting bolt is also positioned above the steering shaft, thereby allowing a safer and more space-efficient design.